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For: ADVANCED METHOD AND SYSTEM
OF AUTOMATIC POPULATION AND
MAINTENANCE OF A WEB-BASED
DATABASE

PROPOSED CLAIM AMENDMENTS BASED ON TELECONFERENCE**DATED TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2003**

Examiner Truong:

As discussed, I am sending you proposed claim amendments that include the limitation of the *database being automatically populated without any action taken by the end users*. Both of the cited references (Robinson and Reilly) require some action taken by the end user in order for their records to be included in the database system.

1. (amended) A method of automatically populating, maintaining and updating a web-based database, the method comprising the steps of:
 - (a) receiving records of individuals from an existing database automatically and without action taken by the individuals;
 - (b) populating a web-based database with the individual records;
 - (c) creating an access account for each individual record;
 - (d) transmitting the access account to the individuals; and
 - (e) enabling remote maintenance of the individual records by use of the access account.

17. (amended) A remotely accessible data storage system, comprising:
- (a) a database automatically populated with existing customer data records without action taken by the customer;
 - (b) an account generator provided for creating access numbers for the customer data records;
 - (c) a broadcast system provided for distributing the access numbers to the customer; and
 - (d) an update system provided to enable customer access to the data records by use of the access numbers.

Please review to see if the amendments are acceptable as avoiding the cited references. I will call you tomorrow (Wednesday November 18, 2003) to discuss.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this paper please contact myself by email (Tcurington@slb.com) or Mr. Ren at 713-439-0744.

I look forward to speaking with you,



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